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Applicant: SZALAY, Aladar et al. Assigned to: Loma Linda University Sheldon & Mak Docket No. 11785-3

Dear Paul:

Per your instructions during our telephone conversation on March 3, 2004, accompanying this letter being hand delivered to your office is a copy of the Petition and accompanying items per your instructions. I greatly appreciate your assistance in this matter. If possible, it would be appreciated if you would let me know either by e-mail at davidf@usip.com or by telephone at (626) 796-4000 that these items have been accepted and the administrative requirements for getting this application to an Examiner are now complete.

Once again, thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

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